HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A RESOLUTION urging the Legislative Council to assign to the Environmental Quality Service Council, the Regulatory Flexibility Committee, or another appropriate interim study committee the task of reviewing incentives to encourage energy efficiency and conservation measures by using "smart metering" technology.

Whereas, Innovative new technologies, such as "smart metering" devices installed on utility meters, exist to encourage conservation of energy and water;

Whereas, Smart meters are real-time metering devices that allow consumers and businesses to better manage their energy and water consumption;

Whereas, State and local governmental entities, utilities,

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multi-tenant housing, mobile home parks, commercial buildings, and other utility users can experience reductions in energy and water consumption after installing "smart metering" devices;

Whereas, Studies have shown that consumption decreases 20% to 30% when residents in multi-family buildings are metered, compared with those who are not metered;

Whereas, Significant energy and water cost savings, reduced operating costs, environmental and natural resource protection, preservation of existing infrastructure, and other benefits result from using meters that encourage conservation; and

Whereas, There is a need in Indiana to reduce energy consumption and encourage energy efficiency and conservation: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives urges the
Legislative Council to assign to the Environmental Quality Service
Council, the Regulatory Flexibility Committee, or another appropriate
interim study committee the task of reviewing incentives to encourage
energy efficiency and conservation measures by using "smart metering'
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